

This petition fails to provide any logical rationale for continuing and even making more demanding the examination for Morse code proficiency in the Amateur Service. It runs counter to the recommendations of the IARU and is contrary to existing FCC opinion that testing for Morse proficiency serves no regulatory purpose.

Petitioner has not provided a single instance since the sinking of the Titanic where Morse communications were used in any large-scale emergency. Since no other radio service currently requires Morse proficiency, the probability of such future use seems distant at best.

This petition should be rejected.